

THAT 'GYPTIAN CURSE' SHO' HUFF WORKED

"Ole Prince" Robinson Feels
Mystic Potency of Terrible
Two Dollah Notes.

By THEODORE TILLER.

This is the second chapter of the sad story of "Ole Prince" Robinson, veteran colored barber in the tenebrous parlors of the House of Representatives, who would run a mile to keep from taking a \$2 bill.

On Labor Day "Ole Prince" walked into the office of the sergeant-at-arms and planked down his salary check. Robert Bonham, cashier, being of joking mood and knowing of the superstitious fears of the ebony-hued one outside the wire cage, counted out the bills. At the bottom of the comparatively modest pile—\$50 in all—he put five \$2 notes.

It was duly recorded in The Times, on the day aforementioned, that Prince Robinson walked about when he saw the "duddy" bills. He declined to touch them, poking them off the counter with his eyeglasses and feeling from the "Egyptian curse" which he said would fall upon anyone so foolish as to accept a two-spot. On that fateful occasion Prince spoke these words:

"It ain't right, white man, no sah, dat ain't. I wouldn't do nobody that-way. The 'Gyitan curse' will be on anybody you gib them bills to."

Hears Sad News.

Saturday Prince Robinson, veteran colored barber of the House, still harassed by the superstitions which linger in the bosom of some of his race, learned of the action of the Democratic caucus which determined to "fire" all Republican employees. On motion of H. Howard of Georgia the caucus took a special cognizance of the colored barbers and they were placed under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Organization, which is to stage a general shake-up of the House employees.

Prince Robinson received this startling intelligence late Saturday. His trembling hand was held poised above the razor stand and his lips twitched as he did a bit of quick calculating.

Monday, September 1, he, Prince Robinson, was tendered five accused \$2 bills by a white cashier who thought that bills of this denomination were just as good as any other—provided there were enough of them.

Saturday, September 6, five days later, he, Prince Robinson, was the unhappy recipient of a bill of the Democratic caucus, with a general antipathy directed at barbers appointed under a Republican regime, sought the official scalp of all those so unfortunate as to have served in the good old days about the House.

Five two-dollar bills had news in five days; the Egyptian curse "cutting" had worked.

As he knocked off work for the day, "Ole Prince" encountered in the House corridors one Mr. Robert Bonham, the same who had been the cashier who had given him the five two-spots.

"Ah told you them bills would bring me bad luck," he said, "and now you see it. You hands me five two-spots five days ago; day tells me today all you is going to be fired by the Democrats. See what you do to my new dat 'Gyitan curse' would git me."

There's just one hope for Prince. Recently a cousin of his, Bull Moose undertaker was called by the House to prepare the body for burial. Prince learned of the presence of a Bull Moose funeral man at the house of mourning and he decreed that such a thing should not be "opened by the profane hands of a solemn-minded undertaker who had gone off after strange doctrines."

Prince decreed that Bull Moose funeral director should be dismissed instantly and that a Democrat should be called to officiate at the last sad rites. It was done.

Had Larning.

It is not recalled whether the political affiliations of Prince himself figured in these stirring preparations, but appearances indicate that Prince had at least Democratic leanings—and perhaps in matters of life and death.

It may be the Committee on Organization, when it begins to weed out the colored barbers and the other Republican employees of the House, will take this into consideration, but that is a story of another day.

The House barber shop was closed this Sabbath, but somewhere along the high ways and byways of the city Prince Robinson spent his leisure contemplating the uncertainties of official employment and the curse of certain brands of money issued by the Federal Government. If Prince could offer an amendment when the Glass currency bill is taken up this week he would be justified in demanding the recall of all outstanding banknotes in circulation insofar as it consists of \$2 bills.

The "Egyptian curse" is evidently a terrible thing, taking effect within five days after a two-spot is waved at one, and separating one from a job paying \$50 per month and many tips.

Says He Is Persecuted
By Scotland Yard Men

Asserting that he is being persecuted by Scotland Yard detectives who have followed him over several continents, William F. Guthrie, a real estate salesman, fifty-four years old, is in Washington Asylum Hospital today for observation as to his mental condition.

Guthrie was taken in custody on a charge of insanity yesterday afternoon by Detective Ebbey, at 301 North Capitol street, where he had been living the past month. Guthrie asserts he has been away from his home in Scotland for twelve years, during which time he has traveled all over the world in an effort to escape the detectives constantly on his trail. The detectives, he asserts, have prevented him from obtaining employment or doing any business. He said he had spent \$2,000 in an effort to evade them and that he was now almost penniless.

Prince d'Arragon Has
Debut as a Fireman

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—Prince Ludovic Pignatelli d'Arragon, who recently took a house at Merrick, L. I., and immediately joined the fire department, has just had his first experience as a fire fighter.

Awakened late at night by a telephone call from the chief of the department, he was ordered to rush to a blaze between Mercey and West street. The prince dragged hose and wielded an ax until 2:30 a. m.

Observe Their Silver Wedding



MR. and MRS. HENRY FRY.

CADET APPLICANTS TAKE EXAMINATION

Candidates at Physical Tests
Held by Board of Police and
Fire Surgeons.

A physical examination of applicants for appointment from the District to cadetship at the United States Military Academy was held at the Franklin School building this afternoon. The candidates are William W. Barron, John Robinson Elder, Jr., James W. Brown, James E. Grey, Lawrence M. Jones, John C. Kernan, Elbert T. Nash, Walker Gibson White, and Nevins D. Young. The examination was conducted by the Board of Police and Fire Surgeons—Dr. Edmund Barron, Dr. Wilbur H. R. Brandenburg, and Dr. H. W. Lawson.

A competitive mental examination will be held under the auspices of the Board of Education at the Franklin School Wednesday at 10 a. m. It will include the following subjects: High school algebra, plane geometry, English grammar, English composition, and English literature, descriptive and physical geography, history of the United States, history of ancient Greece and Rome and general ancient history, and history of medieval Europe to the end of the fifteenth century.

Following the examination, the Commissioners will recommend to the President the designation of a principal and two alternates, who will be required to take the regular entrance examination to the Academy in March, 1914. Only actual residents of the District who are not less than seventeen nor more than twenty-two years of age at the date of admission to the Academy, June 15, 1914, are eligible.

Editor Is Opposing Gore for Senatorship

Senator Gore, the blind Senator from Oklahoma, has a rival for the Senatorship in hands of the President. Oklahoma says that Charles I. Stewart, editor of the Enid Morning News, has formally announced his candidacy.

Mr. Stewart in his announcement lays down two important planks, the importance of raising the standard of rural life and opposition to control of Federal lands by the staff of the Philadelphia Ledger when William Bayard Hale, who has been investigating Mexican conditions, was editor of that paper.

WORLD NEWS TOLD IN BRIEF

DOMESTIC.
Cayote, N. Y.—E. J. Connelly and two daughters were killed when a Lehigh Valley train hit their automobile. Mr. Connelly was probably fatally injured.

Hot Springs, Ark.—The fire victims were reported to be housed temporarily, and their loss was estimated at \$4,000,000, with \$2,000,000 insurance.

Terre Haute, Ind.—The body of Dr. R. M. Vancleave, of Muncie, Ind., was found in his room in a hotel here by relatives. Miss Lillian Brown, of Marshall, Ill., whom he was to have married.

New York.—National and New York Progressives have issued invitations to a farewell dinner to be given Colonel Roosevelt October 2.

Allentown, Pa.—Thirteen persons were injured when a trolley passenger car was telescoped by an ash car near here.

New York.—John A. Hennessy, investigator of the New York State department, will go to Buffalo and ask the indictment of two organization leaders on charges of bribery and perjury.

Wilmington, Del.—The board of education has required a deposit of \$30 from each nonresident pupil, although the State pays the tuition fee.

Topeka, Kan.—Kansas farmers deny report for outside agency of the failure of the corn crop.

San Francisco.—California's wealth was placed at more than \$5,000,000,000, or an average of \$500 for every family of five.

Columbia, S. C.—Three men suspected of robbing a company of the White Construction Company of \$16,000 Friday, have been surrounded by a sheriff's posse.

Philadelphia.—John Bartoll, of Audubon, N. J., and William Waller, of Philadelphia, were drowned in the Delaware river when a small overturned boat sank.

FRYS CELEBRATE SILVER WEDDING

Secretary of Labor and Other
Prominent Persons at the
Celebration.

Opening the book of memory where the leaves for them fell apart loosed—at the still fragrant happenings of their marriage day—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fry, old residents of Capitol Hill, with Secretary of Labor Wilson, prominent members of Congress, and more than 100 other friends present to felicitate them, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary at their home, 315 New Jersey avenue southeast, the other evening. Sharing honors with the guests was William Smith, who was "best man" for Mr. Fry on his wedding day.

"Just think, he stood up with us when Dr. Spitzer, of the old Central Presbyterian Church, married us," feelingly exclaimed the leading male figure of the celebration as he introduced his "best man" to the Secretary of Labor, "just twenty-five years ago tonight."

Besides the Secretary of Labor and many private secretaries to members of the House and Senate, and clerks to committees at the Capitol participated in the celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Fry have lived in their present home since their marriage. In the same house, one square from the House office building, they took part in the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. Fry's parents, who ranked among the first settlers of the Capitol Hill district.

Present at the celebration last night was the only son of the couple, Morton Fry, who is a student at the Business High School.

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Syracuse.—New York State's seventy-third annual Live Stock Exposition opened here. The commission values the stock and products at \$4,000,000. Experts will give daily instruction to 100 farm boys at State expense.

Stonham, Mass.—Miss Ada Felmgold, twenty, of Worcester, patient at a sanitarium, and her nurse, Miss Hazel Drummell, twenty-one, of Akron, Ohio, were drowned here.

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SHIPBOARD REFORM URGED BY PASTOR

Dr. Radcliffe, Back From
Abroad, for Less Luxury
Above Decks.

Less luxury above decks, more humanity below them, was the message delivered by the Rev. Dr. Wallace Radcliffe at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, yesterday morning, his first sermon since his return last week from three months in Europe. His discourse dealt with scenes and conditions abroad, and he took occasion to denounce what he found to be characteristic of modern transoceanic travel.

Dr. Radcliffe classified his experiences as "four visions," and he termed what he saw on shipboard a vision of a fiery furnace. "It burns on sea and land and in the air," he said. "Its imperative demands are ease and luxury and speed. It asserts itself on railways, in motors, airships, and ocean steamers. It dazzles us with extravagance. It attains its aims by a sacrifice of humanity. It burns up character. It feeds men to the furnace."

Tragedies On Shipboard.

"In the steamer on which I sailed one passenger tried to commit suicide, another killed his companion, and a stoker, maddened by heat and work, leaped into the ocean to his death."

"We must learn that the best thing in the world is a man. The law of life everywhere must be less luxury above decks, more humanity below decks. The other three visions mentioned by Dr. Radcliffe were those of a palace, a book, and a cathedral. The first dealt with the chateau of France, the second with Winston Churchill's novel, 'The Inside of the Cup,' and the third with the power of the church which everywhere manifest, in the Old World and the New."

Evangelist H. Clay Rockwell was the speaker yesterday afternoon before the Washington Temple Congregation, in the new Masonic Temple, and reproached the modern church because only 15 per cent of its members are really following in the footsteps of the Nazarene, while above decks and going through the ordinary functions of a church-goer.

Suggests a Remedy.

As a remedy for this condition he suggested that pastors take shorter vacations and more individual work with those who are inclined to drift away from the church altar. Only a more vigorous and more earnest effort, he said, would firmly establish the Gospel in the modern world.

In closing he referred to Boston and the number of strange religious cults and creeds that have taken root there, likening it to Athens in the days when Paul stood on Mars Hill and called on the Greeks to believe in the God to which they had erected an altar.

**Mrs. Becker Takes Up
Teaching for Relief**

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—Mrs. Charles A. Becker, wife of the man who is in the death house in Sing Sing Prison for the Rosenthal murder, today began to teach class 7-A in public school No. 50. Mrs. Becker, who ranked among the first settlers of the Capitol Hill district, present at the celebration last night was the only son of the couple, Morton Fry, who is a student at the Business High School.

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Carlisle Leads; Come On, Washington Dealers, Introduce Incandescents

CARLISLE, Pa., Sept. 8.—Enterprising shopkeepers who maintain window searchlights for the benefit of observers of the x-ray gown, today were chagrined when they learned about the "phosphorescent skirt" that made its debut.

The "phosphorescent" is the last word in "Seymour" gowns. In addition to being transparent, it furnishes its own illumination and tends to put the store lamps out of business as sidelights on fashion.

Miss Daisy Beresford introduced the "phosphorescent" skirt last night, and to those who thought her a luminous ghost, she explained that a preparation of phosphorus in the material furnished the glow.

BOOM CAPT. DALEY TO HEAD BIG UNION

District Delegates to Army and
Navy Organization Back
Candidacy.

Capt. John C. Daley, of the Ninth police precinct, of this city, and commander of the District Department, Army and Navy Union, will be urged as a strong candidate for the post of national commander of the military organization, which opens its sixteenth annual encampment at Philadelphia tomorrow.

Captain Daley and members of his staff left yesterday for Philadelphia to be on hand for the opening of the big convention. Washington will receive unusual prominence at the coming gathering, as not only will Captain Daley's candidacy for the post of national commander be urged, but a resolution will be presented asking for the erection in this city of a temple of patriotism, which will be used for the meetings of all semi-military organizations in the District.

There are three garrisons in the District—Admiral Porter, the President's Own, and Gen. Guy V. Henry—the last being composed of colored veterans. As former Presidents Taft and Roosevelt were active members of the President's Own Garrison, a movement is on foot to make President Wilson a "rookie."

He is eligible because he is Commander-in-Chief of the United States forces.

Senator Bois Penrose of Pennsylvania has consented to be the principal speaker at the opening of the encampment. A big program of parades, athletic events, and social gatherings is planned for the 5,000 veterans that will attend the encampment. Secretary of the Navy Daniels has been invited to review the military and naval parade in connection with the gathering on Wednesday afternoon.

Bryan, One Ring Circus,

Says French Journal

PARIS, Sept. 8.—American Secretary of State Bryan was the object of many humorous and sharply satirical comments in today's French newspapers for his proposed tent lecture tour. One of the journals compared it to a "one-ring circus."

Cooler Weather

For Central States

Cooler weather is promised the central part of the United States during the remainder of this week, but no hope is held out for relief for the East and South, according to a bulletin for the period issued by the United States Weather Bureau.

Duchess Becomes Mother.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—Announcement was made today of the birth of a son last night to the Duchess of Roxburgh, who formerly was Miss Mary Goulet, of New York. The boy is the first born of the duke and duchess, who were married in 1908.

ENLISTED SAILOR TO COME INTO OWN

Jack Tars Assured of Real
Democracy From Present
Head of Department.

During the next four years, the enlisted man in the United States navy is coming into his own. Without any fixed lines or definite policy laid out to that end, Secretary Daniels has made up his mind to improve the status of the jack-tar in every way consistent with what he conceives to be the best features of the present system.

"I respect," he said, "the traditions of the American navy, and I have no intention of tearing down those essential distinctions between the commissioned ranks which make for discipline. What I aim to do, however, is to attract the better class of men to enlist by opening the avenues of advancement to men already in the navy. That is the one end for which I strive."

For example, the department next month will hold an examination for appointment to the grade of assistant paymaster, and will include twelve vacancies. Heretofore persons permitted to take these examinations have been from civil life, and owed their opportunity to the favor of members of Congress or the President.

Limited to Sailors.

"This time, however, under a policy which I have inaugurated, the list of candidates will be limited entirely to enlisted men, and the examinations will be so modified as to include only the essentials necessary to the average cashier in a mercantile establishment. I do not mean that all enlisted men will have the opportunity to take this examination, but only those whose integrity can be vouched for by their commanding officers."

Believe too, that the enlisted man who, by persistent attention to his duties, and hard study, fits himself to stand examination for commission, should be encouraged, and not cast down by senseless barriers of class prejudice. If I insist upon this, I am not an enemy of necessary distinctions between commissioned and noncommissioned men.

Has Improved.

"I meant what I said, when, in addressing the graduates at the Naval Academy last June, I told them that they would command men of higher morals and more intelligence than had ever before served in the ranks. The tone of the enlisted ranks has been gradually improving since before the civil war, when the sailor, brave as he was, was regarded as little above the brute in the treatment accorded him. This tendency is to be encouraged, and men of brains in the navy have been trying for years to devise means of attracting good material to the navy and keeping them there."

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Disgusted By Courts.

"Whatever is done for the advancement of the enlisted man, however, is predicated on the respect which the nation-at-large is willing to give to its fighters in the ranks. That is why it has disgusted me so that prosecuting officers in various parts of the country still persist in offering to men accused of crime the alternative of punishment or enlistment in the navy."

How can we improve the position of the enlisted man unless the enlisted man has self respect, and how can self respect exist among men who are forced to associate with criminals and the riff-raff of the country?"

Secretary Daniels' ideas have not been advanced in the department without opposition. The old class distinctions are almost as strong as ever in the commissioned ranks, and only recently did the Secretary find it necessary to override completely an examining board which had placed low on the list of successful candidates for commissions in the Marine Corps, an enlisted man whose written examination was next to the best turned in by more than fifty candidates, many of whom were drawn from colleges and universities.

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Linen Suits, Linen Dresses, Serge Dresses. Former prices, \$22.50 to \$27.50. Now \$14.50

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